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THE
CRYSTAL PALACE COMPANY.

R E P O R T
OF THE
DIRECTORS TO THE PROPRIETORS
AT THE
TWENTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY
GENERAL MEETING,
DECEMBER 23RD, 1868.

COPY OF ADVERTISEMENT.

CRYSTAL PALACE COMPANY.

Notice is hereby given, that the Twenty-seventh Ordinary General Meeting of the Proprietors of this Company will be held at the

City Terminus Hotel, Cannon Street,

in the City of London, on Wednesday, the 23rd December instant, at One o'clock in the Afternoon precisely, for the purpose of receiving a Report from the Directors, and of transacting the ordinary business of the Company, as prescribed by the Deed of Settlement and Charter; and the said Meeting will be made Special for the purpose of considering the introduction of a Bill into Parliament next session, to enable the Company to grant leases of parts of their land not required for the immediate objects of the Company; and also to consider any notices of motion which may be duly submitted and appended to the Report.

The books kept by the Company for the Registration of Transfers of Stock will be closed from the 9th to the 23rd December instant, both days inclusive.

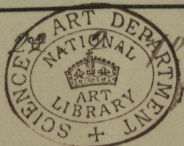
By order,

G. GROVE,

Secretary.

Crystal Palace, Dec. 5th, 1868.

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THE
CRYSTAL PALACE COMPANY.

Directors.

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REPORT of the Directors, to be submitted to the Twenty-seventh Ordinary General Meeting of Proprietors, at the City Terminus Hotel, Cannon Street, at One o'clock p.m. on Wednesday, 23rd December, 1868.

THE Directors herewith submit to the Proprietors the Accounts for the twelve months ending October 31st, 1868. The result of the year's working shows a balance to credit of £46,128 0s. 5d.,

making, with the sum of £916 4s. 7d. carried over from January last, a total amount of £47,044 5s. to the credit of Revenue. After deducting the dividends on the Preference and Debenture Stocks, and a small balance of Interest account, a net sum of £16,157 8s. 4d. remains to credit. This sum the Directors would gladly have recommended for division among the holders of Ordinary Stock, had they believed it for the interest of the Proprietors so to do ; but after mature consideration, and conference with the Auditors of the Company, they are of opinion that the proper course will be to apply it towards discharging the balance to the debit of the Accounts of the Dulwich Wood Estate, and of the Houses erected thereon by the Company, for the purpose of rectifying which, the Directors proposed an addition to the Capital at the Meeting of March 14th, 1867. This course, therefore, they recommend the Proprietors to adopt.

In the face of the commercial apathy and distrust of the last two years, which has pressed with especial severity upon classes who contribute largely to the shilling visitors, it is not surprising to find a falling off in the receipts on ordinary days, although when the results of the three last years are compared, it will be found that the diminution in the past year has been considerably less than in that preceding it. No doubt also the falling off has been increased by the unfortunate rise in fares on the two lines of Railway to the Palace. It is true that no rise has taken place in the "joint tickets"

(including rail and admission), and that the convenience of Season Ticket holders has been met in some degree by the issue of Two Guinea Railway Season Tickets, within certain limits,—but notwithstanding this the rise must have kept away many visitors. On the other hand, the number of visitors on the days of special attractions has been maintained, and the attendance of Season Ticket holders exceeds that of last year by 72,106. Firmly convinced of the policy of encouraging and strengthening the relation between the Season Ticket holders and the Palace, the Directors, during the past season, have endeavoured as far as possible to meet the convenience and comfort of this important class of the Company's clients, and it is gratifying to find them steadily on the increase, and that the number of Tickets sold during the past year has at length surpassed even that at the opening.

The Revenue under the two important heads of the Refreshment and Exhibitors' Departments is in an encouraging state. The condition of the Exhibitors' Department is especially gratifying, since it is a fair index of the hold which the Palace has upon the immediate neighbourhood, which is so rapidly on the increase.

It has been necessary to incur considerable outlay in the maintenance and repair of large portions of the Building, and in the construction of new Store Rooms and other works for the more safe, convenient, and economical conduct of the Com-

pany's business, and which, though involving a large outlay, will be of permanent advantage in future operations. Prominent amongst these may be mentioned the long Corridor leading from the Railway Station to the main Building, which has now been put into a thoroughly sound and substantial condition.

The Proprietors will observe that the Company is subjected to a very large outlay in respect of the rating and taxation of their property. This item has been for some time on the increase, and has now become so serious as to engage the careful attention of the Directors, who will not fail to use every exertion to obtain a satisfactory change.

The Fire Brigade Station, erected on the road front of the Palace by the Metropolitan Board of Works, in pursuance of the agreement between the Board and the Company, is expected to be ready for occupation in February next. There will then be one manual and two steam fire-engines, and a permanent staff of firemen, in constant contiguity with the Palace. While upon this subject, the Directors would call the attention of the Proprietors to the fact that the Palace now stands insured to the amount of nearly £110,000.

The Tropical End of the Building has now been open to the public for several months, evidently to the great satisfaction of the visitors. The restoration of the Alhambra Court has been gradually proceeded with under the superintendence of one of

the regular officers of the Company, and it is hoped that the greater part of that interesting and beautiful portion of the Palace, formerly its special pride, will be restored to the attractions of the coming Christmas Season.

The Directors have been for some time engaged in considering the best mode of employing the ground lying beyond the Palace at the North End, and formerly covered by the North Transept, Assyrian Court, &c. They think it possible to occupy it in a manner not hitherto attempted at the Palace, and which shall make it attractive in a novel manner to a large and paying number of visitors. Without anticipating details not yet resolved upon, they may state that the plans before them embrace the conversion of a part of the large reservoir into Baths; the formation of a Zoological Department on a scale of great completeness, though without pretension to that scientific character which is more properly left to other institutions; and the construction of salt and fresh water Aquariums on a scale not yet attempted in this country. They are of opinion that these objects may be so carried out as to increase the number of visitors, and give such a return for the outlay as will in a few years recoup the cost of the works, and thus leave an important permanent attraction in the hands of the Company.

Actuated by the desire to turn the property of the Company to the best advantage for the Proprietors, the Directors have

given every attention to the possibility of utilizing such of the land as can be spared without detracting from the beauty and privacy of the Grounds. A Report from the Surveyor, showing the probable results of the proposed scheme, will be submitted to the Meeting; and at the close of the Ordinary business the Meeting will be made Special, to consider the provisions of the Bill in Parliament, the application for which the Proprietors authorized at the June Meeting.

By order of the Board,

THOMAS HUGHES,

Chairman.

Crystal Palace, December 21

The Directors have received notice of the following Resolutions to be moved at the Meeting.

From Mr. J. T. Lidiard :—

That whenever any dividend shall be declared on the Ordinary Stock of the Company, the Directors be and they are hereby authorized to issue to any Proprietor requiring the same Dividend Admissions in lieu of paying the dividends, on the whole or such portion of the stock held by such Proprietor as the Proprietor shall elect. That the dividends in lieu of which Dividend Admissions be granted shall be carried to a fund, 'to be called the "Restoration and Maintenance Fund." That such fund shall be applicable to the restoration and maintenance of the Building and Grounds, and for no other purpose whatever. That when the dividend declared on the Ordinary Stock of the Company does not exceed $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent., any Proprietor electing to accept Dividend Admissions in lieu of Dividend shall be entitled to Dividend Admission Tickets to double the amount of the sum that would be payable to him for dividend, but when the dividend shall exceed $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. then Dividend Admissions equal to 5 per cent. That Dividend Admission Tickets be transferable, and entitle the bearer to admission to the Palace on any day the public are admitted by payment, on presentation of as many tickets as shall equal in value the sum required for admission on those days. That Dividend Admissions shall be available only within one year from the date of issue, and be signed by the Proprietor to whom the same shall be issued.

From Mr. R. M. Morrell :—

That the Meeting of Proprietors for the guidance of the Directors declares—That the vote of December last, excluding non-Proprietors from the Palace and Grounds on Sundays, does not warrant the attempted enforcement upon the Directors a petty and vexatious interpretation of the words to the exclusion of the children of Proprietors. And further, that the said vote was not intended to nullify or set aside the oft-carried resolutions for the Directors to take steps for the opening to the general public on Sunday, but was simply the expression of opinion that the free Sundays having amply demonstrated the general desire to visit the Palace, their continuance was no longer necessary.

From Mr. T. Baker :—

That the general plan of management of the Crystal Palace is capable of considerable improvement.

REVENUE

From 31st October, 1867,

Mr.

TO EXPENDITURE:		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
General Management, Police, Doorkeepers, &c. Abstract (A)		7,522	0	1			
Maintenance and Repairs:							
Building	" (B)	11,915	10	8			
Gardens, Grounds, and Roads	" (C)	6,815	6	8			
Water, Engines, and Water Works	" (D)	3,026	19	8			
Various Departments with Alterations and Additions to same ..	" (E)	8,148	0	4			
Music	" (F)	6,221	11	8			
Expenses on Ordinary and Special Occasions:							
May Flower Show, Seven Opera Concerts, Combined Fêtes, and Mr. Mapleson's Benefit Concert and Fête....	" (G)	8,561	9	3			
Ordinary Attractions, Concerts, Fêtes, &c...	" (H)	17,796	8	2			
Special Attractions:							
Fireworks Displays, and Ballad Concerts..	" (Ha)	4,344	3	4			
Flower Shows	" (I)	719	19	0			
Cage-birds Show	" (J)	204	13	3			
Insurance of Building and Offices from Fire, and Fire Brigade.....							
Law Charges	" (K)	1,134	3	0			
Rates and Taxes on Palace and Park	" (L)	200	0	7			
Literary Department, including Class Rooms	" (M)	5,687	4	10			
Dulwich Wood Estate	" (N)	1,586	19	6			
Expenses on Season Tickets	" (O)	663	11	8			
Advertising, Printing, and Stationery, not charged to Departments.....		592	12	11			
Gas		2,411	7	2			
Miscellaneous		1,653	8	2			
Direction		313	8	7			
Audit		1,000	0	0			
Ground Rent of Land		105	0	0			
Catalogues, Picture Gallery: Cost		26	5	0			
Rent of Dulwich Wood		76	13	10			
Less separate Leases granted by the College£206 13 0	961 8 0						
Ground Rents of Houses and Land let	327 12 6						
	534 5 6						
		427	2	6			
Houses on Dulwich Wood, written off in further reduction of Cost (making £630)		315	0	0			
To Balance carried to General Revenue Account							
					91,463	19	10
					46,128	0	5
					£137,597	0	3

ACCOUNT.

to 31st October, 1868.

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Dr.

General Revenue Account

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Interest to this date as follows:—						
On Debenture Stock	19,620	0	0			
On Preference Capital, including Reserve for Dividends on Stock Unregistered	11,227	13	0			
To Balance of Interest Account				30,847	13	0
To Balance carried down				39	3	8
				16,157	8	4
				£47,044	5	0

Dr.

Reconstruction and

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Expenditure during the year:—						
Balance of Contract for Rebuilding Part of the Portion of the Building Destroyed by Fire, and Engineers' Commission ..				5,745	6	8
Repairing Screen, Partial Renewal of Hot Water Pipes, Repairing Fountain, Basin, &c.....				833	5	6
Fire Claims paid under Special Guarantee				25	0	0
North Water Tower				364	5	6
Reading and Class Rooms				48	1	2
Workshops and Stores				1,494	5	3
Amount expended to this date in the Restoration of the Alhambra Court....				1,712	5	7
Waiting and Cloak Rooms erected at North End				2,230	4	9
Store Rooms for Pictures and Exhibitors' Goods				1,842	3	3
New Water Main.....				1,430	18	7
To Balance carried down				17,927	15	4
				£33,658	11	7

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	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By Consolidated Stock, viz.:—						
Ordinary Stock	1,002,675	0	0			
Preference Seven per Cent. Stock	160,395	0	0			
Debenture Stock	327,000	0	0			
				1,490,070	0	0
				£1,490,070	0	0
By Balance				7,981	2	1

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	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By Dulwich Wood Estate				19,500	0	0
By Houses on Dulwich Wood Estate, after crediting £6,000 10s. 2d. for two Houses sold, and £315 charged to Revenue, and charging £2,162 19s. 2d. additional expenditure	18,948	8	10			
By Consolidated £3 per cent. Annuities, to be expended in the erection of two Villas....	3,375	0	0	22,323	8	10
By Debtors on Sundry Accounts				6,485	3	10
By Stock of Stores, Materials, Seats, &c., in Hand				3,245	4	1
By Revenue Account (1868—1869)				483	17	1
By Cash at Bankers	10,084	14	8			
By Cash in Hand	1,754	5	5	11,839	0	1
				£63,876	13	11

A. C. IONIDES,
B. STANDRING,
REGINALD READ, } *Directors.*

THOS. HUGHES, *Chairman.*

ABSTRACT A.**GENERAL MANAGEMENT, POLICE, DOORKEEPERS, &c.**

SALARIES AND OFFICE DISBURSEMENTS:	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Salaries	3,387	10	2			
Postages, Parcels, and Expenses of Meetings, &c.....	400	14	5			
Petty Cash, Messengers' Expenses, Telegrams, and Sundry Disbursements	252	11	5			
				4,040	16	0
MESSENGERS:						
Wages				256	16	11
METROPOLITAN POLICE:						
Salary of Superintendent, and Wages and Gratuities to Men.....				1,842	11	8
MONEYTAKERS AND DOORKEEPERS:						
Wages				1,007	2	8
GENERAL RAILWAY CONVEYANCE OF STAFF				254	19	10
STOREKEEPERS' DEPARTMENT:						
Wages of Storekeeper and Men receiving, removing, and delivering Stores	87	9	0			
Printing and Stationery, and General Expenses	20	13	6			
Railway Conveyance	8	8	0			
Postages.....	3	2	6			
				119	13	0
				£7,522	0	1

ABSTRACT B.**MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS OF BUILDING.**

REPAIRS OF MAIN BUILDING:	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Salary of Clerk of Works, and Wages of Mechanics and Labourers	4,256	7	6			
Timber, Stores, Fuel, Materials, &c.	1,046	1	1			
				5,302	8	7
Carried forward.....				£5,302	8	7

ABSTRACT B.—Continued.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward....			5,302	8	7
HEATING THE BUILDING:						
Fuel	1,705	12	10			
Stokers' Wages.....	345	17	6			
Mechanics' and Labourers' Wages on Apparatus	648	14	0			
Fire Bricks and Clay, Fire Bars and Materials from Stores.....	636	18	6			
				3,337	2	10
AWNINGS:						
Wages and Materials for Making New Awnings and Repairs—						
Wages	£151	13	0			
Materials	267	3	10			
	418	16	10			
Canvas Curtains and Awnings Purchased..	344	14	0			
				763	10	10
FLAGS AND FLAGSTAFFS:						
Wages for Repairs and Making New Flags..	43	13	9			
Materials from Stores	6	11	11			
New Flags Purchased	22	10	0			
				72	15	8
NOTICE BOARDS AND TICKET STANDS:						
Repairs—Wages	4	11	9			
Stores	3	4	2			
				7	15	11
LOUVRES AND VENTILATION:						
Wages	169	16	0			
Stores	51	12	11			
				221	8	11
GAS FITTINGS—MAIN BUILDING AND OFFICES:						
Wages	377	12	9			
Pipes, Fittings, and Sundry Materials.....	167	15	7			
				545	8	4
GYMNASIUM IN PARK:						
Repairs—Wages.....	£14	3	8			
Stores	4	10	0			
	18	13	8			
New Swings and Renewal of Bars	15	10	0			
				34	3	8
FOUNTAINS IN BUILDING:						
Repairs—Wages	£4	16	4			
Materials	1	6	6			
	6	2	10			
Cleaning and Repairing Glass Fountain	37	17	0			
				43	19	10
RAILWAY COLONNADE:						
Renewal of Roof and Repairs—						
Wages	751	12	0			
Stores and Materials	647	0	9			
				1,338	12	9
Carried forward.....				£11,727	7	4

ABSTRACT B.—Continued.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward.....				11,727	7	4
WATER TOWERS:						
Repairs—Wages	11	16	11			
Materials	3	7	6	15	4	5
STAIRCASE RAW PRODUCE DEPARTMENT:						
Wages	57	14	2			
Materials from Stores	22	11	7	80	5	9
CASCADES IN PARK:						
Labourers' Wages	10	8	5			
Cost of Removing Dangerous Parts, and Additional Shoring-up Masonry and Brickwork	82	4	9	92	13	2
				£11,915	10	8

ABSTRACT C.**MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS OF GARDENS, GROUNDS, AND ROADS.**

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
INTERIOR GARDENS:						
Superintendent's Salary, and Wages of Hands employed	1,320	13	8			
Mechanics' Wages for Repairs in Forcing House and Re-making Tropical Department	160	18	10			
Bulbs, Seeds, Garden Pots, Manure, and Materials from Stores, &c.	376	17	11	1,858	10	5
SWEEPERS AND CLEANERS:						
Wages				627	11	3
EXTERIOR GARDENS AND PARK:						
Superintendent's Salary, and Wages of Gardeners and Labourers	2,750	19	1			
Repairing Borders of Lakes	93	1	3			
Mechanics' Wages for Work in Frame, Grounds, and Green Houses, and General Repairs, and Charges for Horse Hire, Cartage, Gravel, &c.	654	8	7			
Fuel, Stores, Seed, Plants, Bulbs, &c.	280	11	7	3,779	0	6
EXTERIOR ROADS:						
Wages for Maintaining and Repairing Roads	323	17	4			
Cartage of Gravel, Ballast, &c.	149	19	11			
Gas and Lighting Road Lamps	38	8	0	512	5	3
SCREEN ACROSS NAVE, TROPICAL END:						
Repairing and Re-fixing Canvas Screen—						
Wages	32	15	3			
Materials	5	4	0	37	19	3
				£6,815	6	3

ABSTRACT D.

WATER ENGINES, AND WATERWORKS:		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Salary of Superintendent, and Wages of Engineer, Stokers, and Labourers		942	5	8			
Mechanics' Labour		156	8	11			
Repairing Boiler		98	16	1			
Fuel for Engines, Castings, and Materials for Stores		765	4	11			
Cleaning Flues		5	14	0			
Water supplied by Lambeth Company		607	6	0			
					2,575	15	7
ARTESIAN WELL:							
New Clack Box, Working Barrel, and extra Work to Pumps.....		250	0	0			
Wages of Mechanics and Labourers		179	18	1			
Materials from Stores		21	6	0			
					451	4	1
					£3,026	19	8

ABSTRACT E.

MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS OF VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS,
ALTERATIONS, AND ADDITIONS TO SAME.

FINE ARTS:		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Salary of Superintendent, and Wages of Hands employed		681	7	5			
Mechanics' Wages		12	10	6			
Materials from Stores		105	3	5			
Printing, Postages, &c.		3	9	8			
Repairs Byzantine Court		8	3	0			
					810	14	0
EXHIBITORS' DEPARTMENT:							
Salary of Superintendent and Clerk, and Wages of Men		559	9	6			
Travelling Expenses		5	8	2			
Printing and Stationery.....		27	9	3			
Postages		24	0	0			
Advertising		103	7	0			
General Expenses		6	13	11			
Railway Conveyance		6	0	0			
Mechanics' Wages		111	11	8			
Materials from Stores		198	9	4			
Law Charges		49	9	10			
					1,391	18	8
CARRIAGE DEPARTMENT:							
Wages of Attendants					186	16	1
AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT:							
Salary of Superintendent, and Wages of Attendants		241	4	2			
Materials from Stores		2	3	8			
Printing and Postages		2	12	4			
Railway Conveyance		3	0	0			
					249	0	2
Carried forward.....					£2,638	8	11

ABSTRACT E—Continued.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward.....			2,638	8	11
RAW PRODUCE DEPARTMENT:						
Salary of Superintendent and Wages of						
Attendant	146	12	0			
Mechanics' Wages and Materials from Stores	64	3	8			
Incidental Expenses	11	16	1			
				222	11	9
NATURAL HISTORY DEPARTMENT:						
Salary of Superintendent and Wages	545	4	4			
Food for Birds, and General Repairs—						
Mechanics' Wages..... £15	2	11				
Food and Materials from						
Stores	120	4	1			
	135	7	0			
Wigs and Specimens purchased, and Inci-						
dental Expenses :.....	28	1	10			
Monkey House—						
Mechanics' Wages..... £160	1	8				
Materials from Stores	83	18	8			
Cost of Two Galvanised Iron						
WireCages, fixed complete	163	11	10			
	412	12	2			
				1,131	5	4
MACHINERY:						
Salary of Superintendent and Wages	186	19	0			
Mechanics' Wages	69	10	11			
Fuel and Materials from Stores.....	380	4	9			
Repairing Boilers.....	147	9	0			
				784	3	8
PICTURE GALLERY:						
Salary of Superintendent and Wages.....	513	18	10			
Commission	33	3	5			
Salaries of Foreign Agents	225	0	0			
Freight and Charges on Foreign Pictures ..	48	6	6			
Charges for Cartage, Delivery, and Collecting						
Pictures in Town and Country.....	105	19	10			
Railway Carriage of Pictures	12	0	6			
General Charges	19	8	11			
Insurance	20	0	0			
Railway Conveyance	9	0	0			
Advertising, Printing, and Stationery.....	42	18	6			
Postages and Stamps	16	5	0			
Alterations and Repairs—						
Mechanics' Wages..... £27	7	10				
Stores	18	12	5			
	46	0	3			
				1,122	1	9
WINTER CONCERT ROOM:						
Altering and Enlarging Orchestra, Shifting						
Bays, &c.:						
Balance of Contract	£170	0	0			
Mechanics' Wages.....	210	14	11			
Materials from Stores	87	5	8			
	463	0	7			
Proscenium and Scenery for Orchestra	300	0	0			
				768	0	7
	Carried forward.....			£1,666	12	0

ABSTRACT E.—Continued.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
	Brought forward.....				6,666	12	0
STAGE—CENTRE TRANSEPT:							
Work to Stage:							
Mechanics' Wages	129	10	5				
Stores and Materials	117	4	7		246	15	0
SHAKSPEARE HOUSE:							
Wages, Cleaning and Repairing					24	11	6
SEATS AND CHAIRS:							
Repairs and Renewal					271	3	3
WAITING AND CLOAK ROOMS:							
Repairs:							
Wages	£29	17	7				
Stores	33	17	10				
				63	15	5	
Law Charges for New Agreement.....				7	17	8	
					71	13	1
PRINTING OFFICE:							
Cost of Enclosing and Flooring:							
Mechanics' Wages	25	6	0				
Timber and Stores	57	12	9		82	18	9
REFRESHMENT DEPARTMENT:							
General Repairs:							
Mechanics' Wages.....	£229	7	1				
Materials from Stores	208	19	6				
				438	6	7	
New Dining Rooms:							
Mechanics' Wages.....	£67	19	6				
Materials from Stores	27	15	0		95	14	6
Pavilion, Cricket Ground:							
Mechanics' Wages.....	£16	9	6				
Materials from Stores	16	6	1				
				32	15	7	
Repairs to Ice House				19	1	8	
Excise Duties				16	16	0	
					602	14	4
TURNSTILES:							
Removing and Repairs:							
Mechanics' Wages	141	10	9				
Materials from Stores.....	40	1	8		181	12	5
					£8,148	0	4

ABSTRACT F.

MUSIC.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Salaries of Conductor and Band	5,008	12	0			
General Charges for Copying Music and Incidental Expenses		180	16	7		
New Music and Hire of Music		200	13	8		
Railway Conveyance		117	19	6		
Daily Organ Performances		180	0	0		
Solo Cornet Performances		42	0	0		
Hire of Organs and Extra Tuning		312	5	0		
Insurance		30	9	3		
Printing		5	0	6		
Labourers' Wages		110	18	7		
Materials from Stores		11	12	5		
Postages and Petty Cash		21	4	2		
					£6,221	11 8

ABSTRACT G.

EXPENSES ON SPECIAL OCCASIONS.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
FLOWER SHOW, MAY, 1868:						
Mechanics' Wages		12	16	1		
Materials from Stores		31	6	10		
Prizes		418	0	0		
Judges' Fees		13	2	6		
Gardeners' Breakfasts, &c.		44	5	0		
Advertising and Placarding		87	16	9		
Printing Tickets, &c.		30	0	5		
Postages and Incidental Expenses		10	3	8		
Extra Police		7	2	5		
Military and Extra Bands and Chorus		68	10	0		
					803	3 8
SEVEN OPERA CONCERTS:						
Payments to Artistes, and for Chorus, Extra Bands, and Music		1,698	8	4		
Advertising		276	14	3		
Bills, Printing, Placarding, &c.		90	18	0		
Printing, Postages, and Incidental Expenses		132	9	11		
Expenses Selling Tickets		25	10	0		
Mechanics' Wages and General Charges		63	17	11		
					2,287	18 5
Carried forward					£3,091	2 1

ABSTRACT G.—Continued.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Brought forward....				3,091	2	1
THREE COMBINED FETES:						
Payments to Artistes—Military and Extra						
Bands and Music	1,145	3	10			
Fireworks Displays and Illuminations	940	0	0			
Advertising, Placarding, Printing, and						
Postages	527	10	9			
Mechanics' and Extra Labour	254	14	11			
Expenses Selling Tickets	36	14	6			
Railway Conveyance	38	11	9			
Extra Police	98	9	8			
Cost of Royal Box, Decorations, and Ex-						
penses of Preparations, Receptions, &c. ..	522	14	3	3,563	19	8
MR. MAPLESON'S BENEFIT CONCERT						
AND FETE:						
Payments on account of Mr. Mapleson	1,332	13	2			
Fireworks Display and Illumination	150	0	0			
Advertising, Placarding, Printing, and						
Postages	283	0	2			
Mechanics' and Labourers' Wages, and						
Materials from Stores	86	11	3			
Expenses Selling Tickets, &c.	9	4	0			
Extra Police	44	18	11	1,906	7	6
				£8,561	9	3

THIRD TRIENNIAL HANDEL FESTIVAL, JUNE, 1868.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Professional Engagements and						
Music—Sacred Harmonic						
Society, as per agreement £7,784 10 0						
Ditto, share of net proceeds 1,356 14 7						
Advertising, Placarding, &c.	9,141	4	7			
Engraving and Printing Tickets, and Print-	1,003	13	4			
ing and Stationery	665	19	8			
Postages, Extra Clerks, and Miscellaneous						
Expenses	636	19	11			
Seats and Chairs	100	0	0			
Extra Police	120	15	6			
Refreshments to Orchestra, Stewards, &c. ..	303	14	2	£11,972	7	2

ABSTRACT H.

EXPENSES OF SPECIAL CONCERTS, FETES, &c.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Saturday Concerts and Entertainments, Extra Attractions, Christmas Festival, Good Friday and Easter and Whitsun Festivals, Metropolitan Schools', Tonic Sol-fa, Metropolitan Schools Choral Society's, and Mr. Manns' Benefit Concerts, Archery Fête, Royal Dramatic College Fête, Oxford Music Hall and Music Hall Sick Fund Fêtes, and Fêtes of the National Temperance League, Foresters and Odd Fellows, Aeronautical Exhibition, Mr. Nelson Lee's Benefit, and Extra Opera Concert, including Proportion of Receipts Payable by Special Agreements						
				£17,796	8	2

ABSTRACT Ha.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Nine Fireworks Displays and Three Ballad Concerts				4,344	3	4

ABSTRACT I.

EXPENSES OF FLOWER SHOWS.

(For Expenses of May Flower Show, see Abstract G.)

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
ROSE SHOW, JUNE, 1868:						
Mechanics' Wages and Materials from Stores	42	3	11			
Prizes	151	10	0			
Judges' Fees and Refreshments	16	1	6			
Advertising and Placarding	70	9	3			
Printing Tickets, Schedules, &c.	30	9	0			
Postages and Incidental Expenses	8	11	10			
Military and Extra Bands and Chorus	90	15	0			
Extra Police	7	6	5			
				417	6	11
AUTUMN FLOWER SHOW, 1868:						
Mechanics' Wages	25	8	6			
Materials from Stores	1	7	7			
Prizes	166	15	0			
Judges' Fees and Refreshments	23	7	9			
Advertising, Placarding, and Printing	64	15	6			
Postages and Incidental Expenses	9	9	9			
Extra Police	11	8	0			
				302	12	1
				£719	19	0

ABSTRACT J.**EXPENSES OF CAGE BIRDS SHOW.**

CAGE BIRDS SHOW, FEBRUARY, 1868:	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Mechanics' Wages	33	5	4			
Stores	8	1	7			
Postages and Incidentals	16	2	10			
Prizes and Judges' Fees £91 10 0						
Refreshments 6 7 0						
	97	17	0			
Less Commission on Sales 22 2 6						
	75	14	6			
Advertising and Placarding	57	5	3			
Printing	14	3	9			
				£204	13	2

ABSTRACT K.**INSURANCE FROM FIRE AND FIRE BRIGADE.**

INSURANCE:	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Palace and Offices				773	19	10
FIRE BRIGADE:						
Wages	259	14	0			
Rent, Rates, and Taxes of Firemen's Houses	80	13	7			
Oil, Waste, &c., from Stores	5	12	9			
Firemen's Clothing	14	2	10			
				360	3	2
				£1,134	3	0

ABSTRACT L.**LAW CHARGES.**

Taxing Officer's Fees for Taxing	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Costs to July, 1867..... £15 17 0						
Ditto, to July, 1868..... 10 3 6						
	26	0	6			
General Law Charges, Twelve Months, to July, 1868	139	7	3			
Costs in respect of Agreement with Metropolitan Board of Works for a Fire Brigade Station ..	34	12	10			
				£200	0	7

ABSTRACT M.**RATES AND TAXES.**

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Property Tax	6	3	6			
Assessed Taxes	34	10	8			
Two Poor Rates, including Charges for Police, Fire Brigade, and County Rates	3,064	10	0			
Two Main Drainage and Sewers Rates	1,242	19	5			
Two General Lighting and Highway Rates	1,267	7	9			
Tithes and Rent Charges in lieu of Tithes	71	13	6			
				£5,687	4	10

ABSTRACT N.**LITERARY DEPARTMENT, INCLUDING READING ROOM, SCHOOL
OF ART, &c.**

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Salary of Superintendent, and Wages.....	284	7	0			
Newspapers and Periodicals	117	2	0			
Printing and Stationery	12	12	3			
Binding	18	13	5			
Postages.....	4	9	7			
Railway Conveyance	12	0	0			
Mechanics' Wages	9	11	7			
Petty Cash and Incidental Expenses	27	6	5			
				486	2	3
Class Rooms, Proportion of Fees received from Pupils, paid to Professors, Superintendence, Advertising, Printing, and Sundry Disburse- ments				1,100	17	3
				£1,586	19	6

ABSTRACT O.

DULWICH WOOD ESTATE.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Surveyors' Fees	35	0	0			
Advertising and Printing	24	10	6			
Law Charges in respect of Leases and Agreements £90 15 0						
In respect of Randall's Field held of Dulwich Manor 13 6 2						
	104	1	2			
Written off Dulwich Wood Estate by Transfer to Revenue				163	11	8
				500	0	0
				£663	11	8

AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Shareholders of the Capital & Finance Company
We have examined the books and accounts of the Company for the year ending 31st December 1885, and find that the same are correct and agree with the balance sheet and statement of accounts, and that the same are in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act, 1862, and the Regulations made thereunder.

No amount of capital has been called up during the year.

We signed the certificate having regard to the state of the cash balance, the expediency of withdrawing the payment of a dividend on the ordinary stock of the Company.

JOHN BAILLIE,
WILLIAM PITCHER,
Auditors.

1st December 1885

AUDITORS' REPORT.

To the Shareholders of the Crystal Palace Company.

We have examined and audited the Company's Accounts for the year ending 31st October, 1868, and we find them to be in due accordance with the books and vouchers, that they properly set forth the financial results of the operations of the year, and the general condition of the Company's affairs.

No amount of expenditure has been charged to Capital Account during the year.

We submit for consideration, having regard to the state of the cash balances, the expediency of withholding the payment of a Dividend on the Ordinary Stock of the Company.

JOHN BALL,
WILLIAM PUNCHER, } *Auditors.*

10th December, 1868.

ADDITORS' REPORT.

To the Shareholders of the Great Eastern Railway

We have examined and verified the Company's accounts for the year ending the 31st October 1882, and we find that as far as the accounts with the books and vouchers, the cash properly set forth the financial results of the operations of the year, and the general condition of the Company's affairs.

The amount of expenditure has been charged to Capital Account during the year.

We submit for consideration, having regard to the state of the cash balance, the expediency of withholding the payment of a dividend on the Ordinary Stock of the Company.

JOHN BAILLIE,
WILLIAM HUTCHER,
Auditors.

